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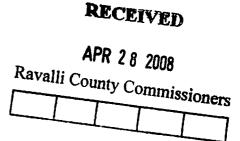
From:

Randy Wilke, Administrator

Property Assessment Division

Re:

Update on 2008 Mobile Home, Personal and Real Property Assessments



I wanted to give you a status update on the 2008 mobile home, personal property, and real property assessments. In a March 18 letter, I indicated that we'd begin producing mobile home assessments on April 12. That date was predicated on addressing any download test file issues your IT department, CSA, or Black Mountain had. In took a little longer than anticipated, but we believe that we've now satisfactorily addressed those concerns. We're going to begin creating mobile home assessment notices tonight. Our completion date, May 9, is extended because the Department of Administration - Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) has a planned system maintenance scheduled for this weekend. That prevents staff from accessing the system after Friday evening, until next Monday, April 28.

Our plan is to begin printing personal property assessment notices on May 12 and be completed by May 28 - that's considerably earlier than I indicated previously. The real property assessments will be started on June 10 and be completed by June 30. We're on schedule for those completion dates.

Also just a reminder - counties that currently receive daily, weekly or monthly download of ownership information will receive them from the new system via the State E-pass site. We're very appreciative of the work that CSA, Black Mountain, and your IT departments have done to help us implement the new Orion system. Thank you for your understanding in this process.

Cc:

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